

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

DEPARTURES.

October 9.—*Christina*, brig, Captain Saunders, for Port Phillip. Passengers—Mrs. Ruffin, Mr. Brown, Mr. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Angbridge, son, and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gleeson, Mr. P. Gleeson, Mr. G. Cooper, Mr. C. Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Costello, two sons, and two daughters.

October 9.—*Arcturion*, schooner, Captain Sturgeon, for Port Nicholson.

October 9.—*Captain Ross*, barque, Captain Macarthur, for Valparaiso.

CLEARANCES.

October 9.—*Waterbury*, schooner, Captain Blackburn, for Hobart Town. Passengers—Madame Childs and three children. Mrs. Childs, Mrs. Childs, and child, and Mr. Childs.

October 9.—*Shamrock*, schooner, Captain Talloch, for Circular Head.

COASTERS INWARDS.

October 6.—*Adventure*, 23, Lambert, from Broadmead, with 18 tons potatoes; Emma, 22, Goodwin, from Newcastle, with 26 tons coal; *Newman*, 12, Woolmer, from Brisbane Water, with 200 bushels maize, 100 bushels wheat, 100 bushels oats, 100 bushels barley, 100 bushels peas, 100 bushels beans, 100 bushels lentils, 100 bushels mung beans, 100 bushels chick peas, 100 bushels vetch, 100 bushels clover, 100 bushels lucerne, 100 bushels alfalfa, 100 bushels timothy, 100 bushels ryegrass, 100 bushels clover, 100 bushels lucerne, 100 bushels alfalfa, 100 bushels timothy, 100 bushels ryegrass.

October 7.—*Alexander*, 10, Sellers, from William River, with 40 bushels maize, 10 bushels wheat, 10 bushels oats, 10 bushels barley, 10 bushels peas, 10 bushels beans, 10 bushels lentils, 10 bushels mung beans, 10 bushels chick peas, 10 bushels vetch, 10 bushels clover, 10 bushels lucerne, 10 bushels alfalfa, 10 bushels timothy, 10 bushels ryegrass.

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We cannot admit that the difference between the question as here put, and the question of resuming the old system, is essential and entire. It is a difference of degree only. The points of difference specified in the despatch are three.

First, the number of prisoners would be small in comparison with the numbers brought out under the former system. And what then? If the question were between five hundred convicts and a thousand, there could be no hesitation in choosing the smaller number. But the question really is, between nuisance and no nuisance—convicts and no convicts. We object to any nuisance, be it large or small; to any convicts, be they many or few.

Secondly, the number would be smaller still relatively to our increased population. This is only placing the same argument in another aspect. It is still a question of degree, though not as between a smaller number of convicts and a larger, but as between a diminished number of convicts and an increased population. And we must again ask, what then? Why should we be requested to put up with a new evil, simply because it is less than the old one? Or, to adhere more strictly to Mr. Gladstone's variation, why should a population of 180,000 be asked to choose a certain degree of nuisance, merely because a population of 130,000 were formerly compelled to endure nuisance of a larger degree?

Thirdly, the future convicts would be employed upon a system different from that of former times, under which the abuses then complained of were generated. That the abuses under the old system were aggravated by certain customs which might be guarded against under the new, we pretend not to deny; but that they were generated by those customs, we must deny emphatically. The radical evils of convictism proceed from one cause only—the presence of convicts. The evils might be less virulent under one set of regulations than under another. But no regulations could convert evil into good. "Wherever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together." Wherever felons are, there will the iniquities of the class be found. Place them in private assignment—work them in road-gangs—huddle them up in penitentiaries; still convicts are convicts: the Ethiopian has not changed his skin, nor the leopard his spots.

The Right Honorable SECRETARY acknowledges that the introduction into this colony of even the very best class of convicts—those "passing through the later stages of their term"—is accompanied with a "hazard from which such an immigration can never perhaps be entirely set free." Then why entreat us to incur such hazard? If England stands to us in the relation of parent, let her remember the parental maxim, that evil communications corrupt good manners. As a virtuous mother is jealous for the unsullied purity of her children, and employs unceasing vigilance to shield them from every species of moral contamination; so let England be jealous for the purity of her Australian infants. She has exposed us in times past, lamentably exposed us, to the corrupting influence of vicious example. And for the last six years she has been endeavouring to undo the mischief of that great error—to regenerate our principles, and to re-establish our reputation. Oh, let her beware of falling into that error once more!

If there be any weight in the argument, advanced in the despatch, that the introduction of convicts from Van Diemen's Land into Port Phillip would be comparatively harmless, because "they would be much more thinly dispersed among the population, and would form scarcely a perceptible element in the composition of society;" how much more forcibly does it apply to England! If the convicts would be lost among the thousands of free people who inhabit Port Phillip, why should there be so much squeamishness against keeping them amongst the millions who swarm in the British isles? There, at any rate, they would form a scarcely perceptible element in the composition of society! There, their evil propensities would be held in check by the supervision of an all-pervading and perfectly organized police. There, too, especially, they would be within reach of the ameliorating influences of good example, and of what Mr. Gladstone so highly prizes, "the agency of systematic and effective religious instruction."

We perceive that the first notes of the pro-convict war have been sounded in the Legislative Council. One of the honorable members for Sydney has given notice of his intention to move, on Thursday next, an Address to the GOVERNOR in favour of a recurrence to transportation and assignment; and the other, of his intention to move on Tuesday for a Select Committee for the purpose of considering the despatch. The battle, then, is coming on in good earnest. We shall buckle on the harness, and enter the field with a stout arm and an undaunted heart.

BEETROOT SUGAR AND SPIRITS. We perceive, from an advertisement in our paper of Monday last, that Messrs. FISHER and CLARK have imported from France, through the instrumentality of the Royal Horticultural Society of England, a quarter of a hundred-weight of the genuine sugar beet seed, of which they intend to dispose of a portion, in quantities not exceeding one pound in weight. As this seed has been imported in consequence of the articles on beetroot sugar which appeared in our numbers of August 22—29, and September 17, of the last year, we feel it to be incumbent on us to make a further suggestion as to the best mode of turning this small portion to account, so as to avoid the expensive process of importation from France for future operations. In order to secure this object, the first quantity should be employed for the production of seed alone.

It is almost superfluous to add, that the more care is bestowed upon the culture the greater will be the produce. The soil should be deep, and we manured, with bone dust if possible, and the plants should be spaced at intervals of at least two feet on every side. In the arid soils of the south of France, it is recommended not to remove the plants from the seedbed until they have attained the average size of the little finger, at which period they are better able to resist the drought. As to the man

THE undersigned have received by late arrivals—
20 Tons Liverpool salt
20 Tons rock salt
20 Casks refined saltpetre
5 Bales brewers' linings
1 Case fine shod ditto
200 Cases Page's port, which is now universally admitted to be the purest wine imported, so essentially necessary for persons of debilitated constitutions.
EDWARD CAMPBELL,
408, George-street.
5691

October 10.

NOTICE.

TO HOTEL KEEPERS, LODGING-HOUSES, SCHOOLS, AND OTHERS.
FOR SALE, at J. Curby's, opposite the Police Office, George-street, the whole of the bedsteads bought at the Sydney College. Parties taking more than three, price £1 10s. for bedstead, hair mattress, pair of blankets, ditto sheets, pillow, and counterpane;—and the fittings for a public-house.
5654

THE FINE OPEN AND VERY EXTENSIVE STATION
"PIEDMONT,"
AT LIVERPOOL PLAINS;
WITH
1200 HEAD GOOD CATTLE,
one-third of which are males.
5 Stock Horses
Team Working Bullocks
Stores, &c.
FOR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT
Apply to
MR. STUBBS,
City Auctioneer,
King-street
ADJOINING THE BARRARA STATION.
4708

SAISON MÉRINO RAMS.
FOR SALE, in lots of ten or more, to be selected from a flock of 650. Prices, first quality, 40s., second, 30s., third, 25s.; if delivered shorn, or with fleeces on, 5s. per head more. To be seen and delivered at Mr. James Walker's Farm, at Loore, near Daboe.
5629

WOOL AND SHEEPSKINS
THE undersigned are cash buyers of Wool and Sheepskins, either washed or in the grease.
SWAIN, WEBBS, AND CO.,
Harrington-street,
Church Hill
4102

WOOL, TALLOW, AND OTHER PRODUCE.

THE undersigned will make advances as usual, on the ensuing clip of wool, and on tallow, or other colonial produce, to be consigned to their London house, Walker Brothers, and Co.
W. WALKER AND CO.
September 21.
4708

ADVANCES ON PRODUCE.
ADVANCES made by the undersigned on Wool, Tallow, or other produce, consigned to Messrs. Lyall, Brothers, and Co., London.
LYALL, SCOTT, AND CO.
£200—£250—£500.
The above sums ready for investment, on approved security, at 7-8 per cent.
Required—"Commercial Bank" Shares.
R. MURRAY,
Commission Agent,
No. 277, Castlereagh-street.
5636

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES FOR THE DISTRICT OF PORT PHILLIP.
BETWEEN GEORGE DUNCAN MERCER, PLAINTIFF; AND ROBERT MILLIGAN ROBERTSON, AND HENRY STAINFORTH, DEFENDANTS.

WHEREAS an action has been commenced in this Court, at the suit of the above-named George Duncan Mercer, against the above named Robert Milligan Robertson, and Henry Stainforth, and no appearance has been entered for the said Henry Stainforth, in the said action, and he is alleged to be absent from the colony. Notice is hereby given, that unless the said Henry Stainforth, or some person on his behalf shall enter an appearance for the said Henry Stainforth, to the said action, on or before the twenty-sixth day of October instant, the said George Duncan Mercer will cause such appearance to be entered for him (in pursuance of the Act of this Colony, passed for regulating process in actions against persons absent from the Colony) and will proceed in the said action as if the said Henry Stainforth resided in Melbourne and had appeared in person to the same.

Dated this first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.
JAMES MONTGOMERY,
Plaintiff's Attorney.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.
ANY person found trespassing upon any part of my property, situate at Ballambi, in the district of Illawarra, will be prosecuted according to law. Given under my hand, at Sydney, this 6th day of October, 1846.
his
PATRICK + LEE,
mark.
Witness—Thomas Barrett.
9254

CONSIGNEES of Goods, per ship *Pandora*, are requested to pass their entries at the Customs House, without delay.
CHARLES COBB,
Commander.
Naval Wharf, October 6.
5647

IN THE ESTATE OF W. FENDRAY, THE YOUNGER.

A FURTHER DIVIDEND of eightpence in the pound is payable at the office of the undersigned. By order of the Trustees.
WESTMORE AND WAY,
478, George-street, Sydney.
October 9.
5634

NOTICE.
MR. A. G. PANTON, surviving partner of the firm of Betts and Pantons, of Windsor, merchants, hereby requests all parties indebted to the firm to pay the amount of their respective accounts, without delay, to Francis Beddet, Esq., solicitor, Windsor, whose receipt will be sufficient. Dated 30th day of September, 1846.
5436

NOTICE TO PUBLICANS AND OTHERS.
THE publicans hereby cautioned against harbouring or giving credit to my wife Margaret Morgan, better known by her maiden name Margaret Kelly, she having left me without any just cause or provocation. On account of the way in which she is now living, I will not be responsible for any debts she may contract.
G. E. MORGAN.
October 9.
5627

SYDNEY GENERAL REGISTRY OFFICE FOR SERVANTS AND MECHANICS.
BATHURST-STREET, NEAR HYDE PARK.
ESTABLISHED ON JUST AND EQUITABLE PRINCIPLES, FEBRUARY, 1844.

THIS establishment, being founded on the above principles, readily provides for settlers, at any distance from Sydney, the best description of labour at the average rate of wages, without the necessity of their coming to town, by communication (post free) stating particulars, with a remittance to defray the expenses.

It also furnishes private families with duly qualified domestics, both male and female, ensures them of good character and respectful demeanour.
And obtains ready employment for the unemployed generally.
H. F. BRIMMER
Office hours from nine till five.
5682

DISTRICT OF QUEANBEYAN.
PERSONS willing to contract for the repairs and improvements required on the line of road between Queanbeyan and Bungendore are requested to apply to
J. F. MURRAY,
Warden.
Woden, Queanbeyan, October 6.
5611

TO BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS.
TENDERS will be received for the several works required in erecting and completing three Stores, &c., at the Circular Quay, Sydney. The plans and specification will be seen, and other particulars given, at the office of James Hume, of King-street, Architect, to whom Tenders are to be delivered on or before noon, the 23rd instant. Security will be required for the due and proper performance of the works.
JAMES HUME.
118, King-street, October 9.
5630

DRAY FOR GOULBURN.
WANTED immediately, a dray to convey about a ton of goods to Goulburn. Apply to
BUCHANAN AND CO.,
Darling Harbour Wharf.
5667

WANTED TO PURCHASE, in Parramatta, a Cottage of about four rooms. Apply by letter, post-paid, stating price and particulars, to Mr. William Kitchner, 181, Prince-street North.
5628

WANTED—A Milliner, a Stay-maker, and a Dressmaker, all of first rate abilities; none but good hands need apply to
MADAME PROTOIS,
French Stay Warehouse, 282, Pitt-street.
5623

WANTED, a Cook, or a man and his wife as cook and housemaid. Apply to Z, at the Custom House.
5692

SHEPHERDS WANTED.
Apply to
CAPTAIN SCOTT,
Cumberland-place.
No advances will be made.
5617

WANTED, a Groom, who will require to take charge of an entire horse, and to make himself generally useful. Apply at Town's Wharf.
October 8.
5682

WANTED, a man of good character, to take care of a horse, and attend a store. None need apply, unless they can produce a character of twelve months from last place.
JAMES WOOD,
George-street.
October 9.
5648

A YOUNG Person is desirous of obtaining a situation in a respectable family as Nursery Governess or Needlewoman. She has for some time past been engaged as an assistant in a public school. For further particulars apply (if by letter, post-paid) to Mr. Samuel Turton, schoolmaster, Narvelan.
5627

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
£100 REWARD.

WHEREAS, a number of One Pound Notes of this Bank, all having a lithographic imitation of the signatures of Jas. B. Battinot and Wm. Lawson, Directors, have been forged, and are now in circulation, a reward of One Hundred Pounds is hereby offered to any person or persons who shall be the first to give such information to the Directors of this Bank as may lead to the conviction of any of the parties concerned in forging or uttering any of the said Notes.
By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN BLACK,
Cashier.
Bank of New South Wales,
9th October, 1846.
5625

£5 REWARD.
MISSING, supposed to be stolen, from the paddock of Mr. Patrick Mahaney, Pitt Town, between Saturday, the 15th, and Monday night, the 17th instant.
A bright grey mare, aged, about 14½ hands high, long tail and mane, saddle mark on right side of back; got by Grey Camerton. This mare is easily known, being near failing, and of stout structure, and great show of blood. No brand.
ALSO,
Her last filly foal, rising one year old, colour brown, with a star on snip, one hind foot white; no brand; with great show of breeding; sire, Young St. John.
A reward of Five Pounds, on restoration, and conviction if stolen; or Two Pounds, if strayed, on delivery to Mr. Patrick Mahaney, Pitt Town, August 19.
The above reward of £5 will be given, should only one of them be recovered, on conviction; also, it is not improbable but that the mare has by this time foaled; and in order to evade observation both have been docked, and left with switch or short tails.
PATRICK MAHANEY.
Pitt Town, September 19.
4836

THREE POUNDS REWARD to any person or persons for the apprehension of Stephen Benyon, who stole a grey Mare in August last, the property of Mr. W. H. Blakely, and is supposed to be at Bigger, on or about the station of Mr. Charles Eason. The above reward will be paid to any person or persons who will lodge the said Stephen Benyon in any of Her Majesty's gaols, by applying to W. H. Blakely, at the Stores of Messrs. J. T. Armitage and Co., King-street.
5644

ONE GUINEA REWARD.
TO CONSTABLES AND OTHERS.
WHEREAS some person or persons are in the practice of following the runners of the Sydney Morning Herald, and stealing the newspapers after they have been left at the subscribers' houses. The proprietors of this journal will give the above reward to any person who will give into the custody of the police such person or persons.
4761

MAGPIE LOST.
ON WEDNESDAY afternoon last, from the plot of ground adjoining Mr. Small's bakehouse, in Bathurst-street. Any person having found the same, on restoring it to the undersigned will be rewarded for their trouble.
H. W. JOHNSON,
Barker's Cottage, Sussex-street.
October 10.
5641

AUSTRALIAN HOTEL.
THE above first-rate and well established HOTEL is now TO LET; the present proprietor retiring with his family to England.
Possession could be given immediately.
Apply to
WILLIAM PERRY,
Executor to late W. Barnes.
Gas Hotel,
Kent-street North.
Sydney, August 20.
2915

LUNDIE'S BUILDINGS, PYRMONT.
THIS Property, which consists of three large stone-built houses, (each divided into six dwellings) yard, and out-offices, with well of water, is to be sold or let, in one lot, on favourable terms.
Apply at the office of Mr. Morehead, O'Connell-street.
September 11.
4120

TO BE LET, AT REDFERN, ONE TWO-STORY HOUSE, in Fitz Roy Terrace, Upper Pitt-street. This House is replete with every convenience for a respectable tenant. Rent moderate.
Apply to John Alexander, Esq., Lower George-street, or to the undersigned, where keys may be had.
ROWAND RONALD.
No. 2, Fitz Roy Terrace.
3349

TO LET, upon the Redfern, about half a mile from the city, a grand verandah cottage, comprising entrance hall, 4 good rooms, pump of water, fitted up with grates, and every convenience. Rent, eight shillings per week.
Apply to Mr. Lee, Redfern, near the Redfern Inn.
October 9.
5653

TO LET,
A VERANDAH COTTAGE, situated near H. Macdormott, Esq.'s, residence at Newtown, containing six rooms, with kitchen, washhouse, coachhouse, stables, &c., newly painted, and fitted up with stores and range, well adapted for a respectable family.
Rent moderate.
Apply to
MR. J. S. HANSON; or to
MR. YARNTON.
Next door.
Sydney, September 20.
6107

TO LET.
KENSINGTON COTTAGE AND GROUNDS.
THIS highly desirable Cottage residence, delightfully situated at LADY DARLING'S POINT, and overlooking the waters of Port Jackson, with gardener's house, coach-house, stabling, &c., complete, together with a choice and well-stocked garden at the rear; is now ready for the reception of a family of respectability, to whom it offers first-rate accommodation.
Immediate possession given. Apply to the Gardener, on the premises, or to the proprietor,
MR. THOMAS BAKER,
Crown and Anchor,
George and Market streets.
5624

TO LET,
TWO COTTAGES, Upper Paddington, with gardens attached, one containing three, and the other five rooms. Rent, 4s. and 5s. per week. Apply to
A. DAVY,
Upper Paddington.
5612

TO BE LET, a cottage near the Court House, Windsor, containing five rooms and a kitchen on the ground floor, with two attics, and a detached dairy, with granary above. There is also a garden and a small paddock adjoining, part of which is planted with fruit trees and vines. For particulars as to rent, &c., apply to Mr. Egerton on the premises.
5638

LAW INTELLIGENCE.
CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.
THURSDAY.
Before His Honor Mr. Justice DICKINSON.
CAB ROBBERY.
Thomas Simpson, Owen Taylor, and Robert Hunter, were indicted for having, on the 17th of September last, at the Parramatta Road, violently assaulted and robbed one William Williamson. The evidence was to the following effect. On the evening of the day laid in the information, the prosecutor and prisoner met at the Five Dock Race Course, where Taylor, Hunter, and Williamson, agreed with Simpson, who is a cab proprietor and driver, to take them to Sydney in his vehicle for 2s. per head; after getting these three, he picked up two more passengers, which completed his fare, and with them he drove homeward till he arrived at a public-house on the Parramatta Road, where they had some refreshments, and Hunter, by offering to wager that they would reach Sydney as soon as another cab, induced Williamson to produce his money, a row commenced among them, when the landlord refused to let them have any more liquor; Simpson then took his seat as driver, and the other three went inside, Hunter taking his place opposite to Williamson, and Taylor at the side of the latter; soon after they had left the public-house, Hunter flung his arms round Williamson's neck, took his money from his pocket, and as Williamson was making a great noise, the cabman stopped his horses, on which Hunter told him to drive on, as he had got the wag. Williamson finding that neither the driver nor the others in the cab would render him any assistance, got out, shouted robbery, and ran to the house he had to stop them, but they got away from him; he swore distinctly that the driver would not assist him, and that Hunter was the party who took the money from him; he also swore to Taylor being present; but would not distinctly aver that he had assisted Hunter. After arriving in Sydney, the prisoners were apprehended on suspicion, when they all admitted being present, but denied having either robbed or assisted to rob the prosecutor. It was also given in evidence against Hunter, that on the morning of the 21st September, while in custody of the police, he was brought out of his cell to be shaved, when he bolted out of the watch-house, and was only recaptured after a severe contest in Market-street. The prisoners, by the cross-examination of the witnesses, endeavoured to show, that Williamson was so drunk on the night of the robbery, that his story about being robbed was not to be believed; also, that he had not been possessed of such a sum as £1 10s. when he entered the cab; and Simpson attempted to show, that when the prosecutor ran to the horses' heads, he (Simpson) was on the ground mending one of the traces, which had been broken, and which he showed to the constable when he was apprehended. Each of the prisoners in defence, made lengthy addresses to the Jury, giving a history of the whole transactions from the Race Course till their arrival in Sydney, and asserting their innocence of the charge.

His Honor, in putting the case to the Jury, remarked, that the evidence was far more conclusive against Hunter than the other two prisoners, and directed them, if they had any doubts as to the guilt of either of them, to give them the benefit of the same.

The Jury retired for about half an hour, when they returned a verdict of not guilty as regarded Simpson and Taylor, who were thereupon discharged; as to Owen Hunter, they found him guilty of assaulting and robbing the prosecutor, in terms of the information.

The prisoner, in mitigation of punishment, pleaded his youth, stating that he was only between twenty-five and twenty-six years of age; he had come to the colony under sentence for seven years, during which he had been several times punished for minor offences; he had been free only six months, and by reason of getting drunk had been twice punished as a rogue and vagabond, but he had never before been convicted of such a charge as the present.

His Honor was of opinion that he was a very bad character, else he never would have perpetrated the impudent robbery of which he had just been convicted. He was afraid he would never become a reformed man; but in the hope that he would reform, he would give him one chance, and but one, and that in consideration of his age. He might have sentenced him to transportation for seven years, but in the hope that he would amend, he would give him a shorter sentence. The prisoner was then ordered to be worked in irons for the period of three years.

The Court adjourned at half-past five till ten o'clock on Friday.

